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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
GROUP 1652**

Attorney Docket :
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:)	Confirmation No. 9044
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Bettina MÖCKEL, et al.)	Examiner: Kathleen Kerr
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Serial No. : 09/935,799)	Group Art Unit: 1652
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AFTER-FINAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated November 12, 2004 is due by February 14, 2005 (February 12, 2004 being a Saturday). Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed.

For the purpose of placing the above-captioned application in immediate condition for allowance, or alternatively, in better form for appeal, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

In response to the Office Action dated November 12, 2004, kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows.